BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES

The City of Jesup Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 1, 2009 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber. Mayor Shaw called the meeting to order. Roll call was as follows:

Mayor, Herb Shaw	Present
Commissioner, Don A. Darden, Sr.	Present
Commissioner, Gerald DeWitt	Present
Commissioner, Raymond D. House II	Present
Commissioner, Geneva Nichols	Present
Commissioner, Ricky Reddish, Sr.	Present
Commissioner, Bobby Townsend	Present
City Attorney, Alvin Leaphart	Present
City Manager, Onda Woodard	Present
Police Chief, Glenn Takaki	Absent

The Lord's Prayer was led by City Attorney Leaphart.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sergeant Glenn Jackson.

Commissioner Townsend made motion seconded by Commissioner DeWitt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting dated November 17, 2009.

All Council voted yes.

Commissioner DeWitt made motion seconded by Commissioner Townsend to approve the 1st reading of an Ordinance on discharging firearms within the City limits.

All Council voted yes.

Commissioner DeWitt made motion seconded by Commissioner Townsend to dispense with the 2nd reading of an Ordinance on discharging firearms within the City limits.

All Council voted yes.

City Manager Woodard informed Council she has received complaints about residences having too many cats and dogs not being confined.

Commissioner DeWitt suggested placing a limit of 5 cats and dogs at any residence inside the City limits.

Council instructed City Manager Woodard to have an Ordinance prepared using a limit of 5 cats and dogs, and present at the next meeting.

Several residents voiced their opposition against creating an Ordinance which limits the number of cats and dogs allowed, and requested Council to handle the problems on a case-by-case basis.

Commissioner DeWitt withdrew his suggestion to limit the number of cats and dogs allowed, and suggested an animal nuisance ordinance be adopted.

Council instructed City Manager Woodard to have an animal nuisance ordinance prepared and ready at the next meeting.

City Engineer Shuman discussed the cost involved with constructing James E. Johnson, Sr. Blvd., between North Fourth Street and Highway 84, including \$72,800 for the purchase of the right-of-way.

City Engineer Shuman informed Council the James E. Johnson, Sr. Blvd. right-of-way must be purchased before D.O.T. will commit any funds for this project.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Townsend to approve the purchase of right-of-way for James E. Johnson, Sr. Blvd. at \$72,800.00.

All Council voted yes.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Nichols to approve the transfer of Alcoholic Beverage License for Side Trax from Ms. Vel James to Mr. Harold Gravley.

All Council voted yes.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Townsend to approve the 2010 Alcoholic Beverage License renewals.

All Council voted yes.

2010 Alcoholic Beverage License approved are as follows:

Daily News – Beer, Wine and Pouring – Liquor

Mr. B's – Beer, Wine and Liquor

Oak Tree - Beer, Wine and Liquor

A – Z Package Store – Beer, Wine and Liquor

Aryan Food Corp. of Jesup, Inc. - Beer and Wine

Jesup Discount Corner – Beer and Wine

Jesup Tobacco and Liquor Outlet - Beer, Wine and Liquor

Flash Foods #193 – Beer and Wine

Flash Food # 180 – Beer and Wine

Friendly Express #1- Beer and Wine

Friendly Express #79 – Beer and Wine

Harvey's Supermarket – Beer and Wine

Sonac, Inc. – Beer and Wine

Wal-mart Supercenter - Beer and Wine

Vel's Package Store - Beer, Wine and Liquor

Side Trax – Beer, Wine and Pouring – Liquor

Habanero's – Beer, Wine and Liquor

Blue Room Restaurant and Lounge - Beer, Wine, Liquor Consumption on Premises

Shreyan Food Mart, Inc – Beer, Wine and Pouring

Gooey's Pizza – Beer Consumption on Premises

Laredo Mexican Restaurant - Beer, Wine, Liquor Consumption on Premises

Pizza Hut of America, Inc. - Beer and Consumption of Premises

The Legion Lounge – Beer, Wine and Pouring – Liquor

V.F.W. Post #4583 – Beer, Wine and Pouring – Liquor

Pine Forest Country Club – Beer, Wine and Pouring – Liquor

Mi Sombrero Restaurant – Beer, Wine and Pouring – Liquor

Stories Restaurant – Beer and Wine Consumption on Premises

New China Restaurant – Beer Consumption on Premises

Commissioner DeWitt suggested Council to require Police Chief Glenn Takaki to submit a grading sheet to Council along with Alcoholic Beverage License renewals to determine whether or not a business has become a nuisance.

Commissioner DeWitt made motion seconded by Commissioner House to require Police Chief Takaki to submit a grading sheet to Council along with Alcoholic Beverage License renewals to determine whether or not a business has become a nuisance.

All Council voted yes.

City Manager Woodard stated she has received several calls about citizens having yard sales at their residence on a regular basis, and at other places without a permit.

After much discussion, City Attorney Leaphart suggested creating an Ordinance using information from other Cities, and bring it before Council at the next meeting.

Commissioner Townsend requested City Manager Woodard to place discussion of fees for trash, recycling and inert material pickup on the next meeting agenda.

Mayor Shaw asked when did Council approve \$100,000.00 to be paid to Wayne County for the law enforcement building renovation out of the 2010 budget.

Commissioner Townsend requested City Manager Woodard to put the approval of \$100,000.00 for the law enforcement building on the next agenda.

Commissioner House made motion seconded by Commissioner Reddish to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss legal matters.

All Council voted yes.

Upon returning, Mayor Shaw stated City Attorney Leaphart updated Council on a Workers' Compensation Lawsuit.

Rose Marcus-Jackson
City Clerk/Treasurer